

Wheatley Idol set to discover talent

As Canadian Idol whittles down contestants on the national stage, the Wheatley Optimist Club is gearing up for the 3rd Annual Wheatley Idol Talent Competition. The Weil Outdoor Stage

at Two Creeks Conservation Area on Kent Rd. 1 in Wheatley will be the place to be discovered on Sunday, August 6 starting at 1 p.m. Age group categories are: 6 to 9, 10 to 12, 13 to 16 and 17 and over. There is no

entry fee and cash prizes and gift certificates will be awarded. To register or for more information, call Darla Janzen at 519-825-9897 or sign up at noon Sunday, August 6.

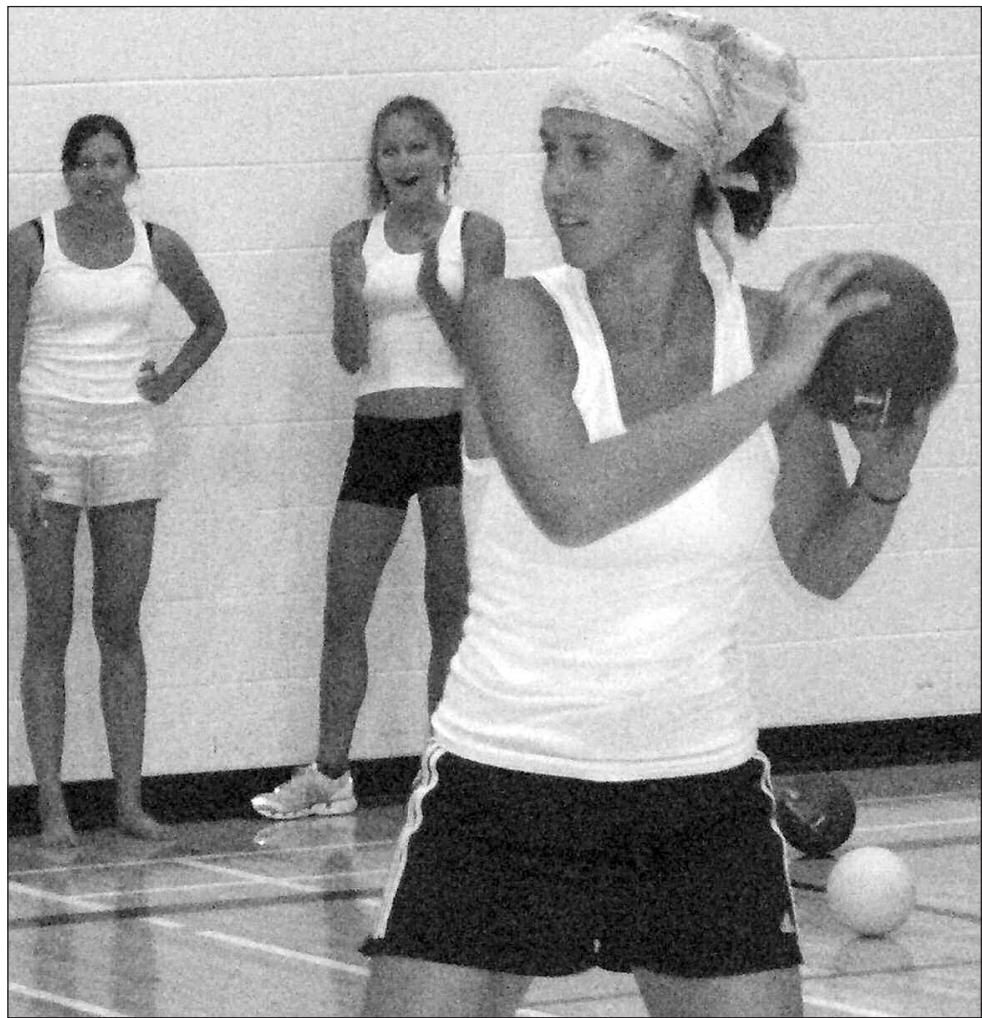
Leamington to host Interlock tournament

Leamington District Minor Baseball Association will host the Interlock Tournament this weekend at the Kinsmen Baseball Complex on Seacliffe Drive East in Leamington. Forty-two house league teams from Amherstburg, Essex, Harrow, Kingsville and Leamington will compete over the three days for top honours.

Over 550 players will battle for their respective championships in Mosquito, Junior Girls, Intermediate Girls and Senior Girls divisions. Action begins on the evening of Friday, July 28 and continues all day Saturday, with the championships being contested on Sunday. "This is baseball in its

most exciting form," says Terry Misener, LD MBA representative. "House League play best illustrates the fun, camaraderie and competitiveness of minor baseball. Watching how the players have developed from the beginning of the season is especially rewarding for coaches and parents involved."

Lifeguards square off in fun



Amelia Balsillie prepares for a dodge ball bombardment as her teammates cheer her on during the Life Saving Society's eighth annual fundraiser at the Essex Recreation Complex July 22. Essex lifeguards squared off against members of the Tecumseh Pool for the games. Each participant donated a minimum of \$5 toward Learn to Swim programs and life guarding courses. A volleyball tournament for the two groups is tentatively scheduled for Aug. 12 at the Recreation Complex.

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